

**Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Appropriations Bill  
House File 2540  
*As Amended by the Senate***

Last Action:

Senate Floor

April 26, 2006

**Executive Summary Only**

**An Act relating to and making appropriations involving State government, including provisions affecting agriculture and natural resources, providing fees, and providing an effective date.**

**Fiscal Services Division  
Legislative Services Agency**

**NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS (NOBA)**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS

## HOUSE FILE 2540 AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE AG/NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS BILL

### SENATE AMENDMENT

### FUNDING CHANGES

### LANGUAGE CHANGES

- The Bill, as amended by the Senate, appropriates a total of \$38.0 million from the General Fund and 1,518.0 FTE positions to the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Economic Development, and Iowa State University. This is an increase of \$1.3 million and 11.0 FTE positions compared to the estimated FY 2006 General Fund appropriation.
- The Bill makes the following funding changes when compared to House Action:
  - ***Iowa Shorthorn Association:***
    - \$10,000 FY 2006 supplemental appropriation for the National Junior Show.
  - ***Department of Natural Resources (DNR):***
    - \$100,000 for general operations.
    - \$75,000 for Waubonsie State Park.
    - Allows the DNR to collect fees for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Program and to use the funds to pay for costs associated with the Program. Strikes language that appropriates funding to the DNR and to the Department of Economic Development for the Program.
  - ***Iowa State University (ISU):***
    - \$1.0 million for operations at the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.
    - \$50,000 for the continuation of the Open Feedlot Study.
- The Bill makes the following significant language changes:
  - Specifies funds appropriated to the Avian Influenza Fund do not revert and can be carried forward each year by the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship for testing and monitoring.
  - Specifies the DNR will use a competitive grant process to award funding for the computer recycling program.
  - Specifies any remaining funds appropriated in FY 2006 for livestock air quality monitoring do not revert and can be used by the DNR for staffing, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes.
  - Specifies the following for the ISU Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory:
    - Other funding to the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory will not be reduced and any unallocated funds to the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory will revert to the General Fund at the end of the fiscal year.
    - The General Assembly intends to provide additional funding to the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in future years. This includes \$2.0 million for FY 2008, \$3.0 million for FY 2009, and \$4.0 million for FY 2010.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS**

**HOUSE FILE 2540 AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE  
AG/NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS BILL**

**LANGUAGE CHANGES  
(CONTINUED)**

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

***BILL AS PASSED BY THE HOUSE  
FUNDING SUMMARY***

**MAJOR INCREASES, DECREASES,  
AND TRANSFERS OF EXISTING  
PROGRAMS**

- Specifies that beginning in FY 2008, any unused funds collected for the establishment of permanent household hazardous waste collection sites will be used for payment of transportation costs related to household hazardous waste programs.
- Specifies the FY 2006 supplemental appropriation to the Iowa Shorthorn Association is effective upon enactment.
- Appropriates a total of \$36.9 million from the General Fund and 1,524.0 FTE positions for FY 2007. This is an increase of \$100,000 and 17.0 FTE positions compared to the estimated FY 2006 General Fund appropriation. The Bill also appropriates a total of \$39.0 million of other funds.
- Makes the following General Fund increases or decreases for FY 2007:
  - **Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship:**
    - \$50,000 increase for the Dairy Products Bureau. (Page 2, Line 13)
    - \$50,000 increase to reimburse Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners for administrative expenditures. (Page 3, Line 14)
  - **Department of Natural Resources (DNR):**
    - Adds 11.0 FTE positions for programs funded with money from the Fish and Game Protection Fund. (Page 4, Line 19)
    - \$1.8 million and 11.0 FTE positions from the Fish and Game Protection Fund for the following: (Page 4, Line 32)
      - \$1.0 million and 9.0 FTE positions for additional patrol staff for boat safety and prevention of aquatic invasive species.
      - \$120,000 and 1.0 FTE position for a Water Safety/Water Trails Coordinator.
      - \$230,000 for the Missouri River Fisheries Project.
      - \$375,000 for the increased cost of gasoline.
      - 1.0 FTE position for an administrative assistant to assist with various recreation programs.
      - \$120,000 for a shooting sports program.
    - \$300,000 allocation from the Solid Waste Account in the Groundwater Protection Fund for a Statewide Computer Recycling Program. (Page 6, Line 3)
- \$400,000 and 4.0 FTE positions from the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Fund to process NPDES permit applications. (Page 11, Line 12)

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS

## HOUSE FILE 2540 AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE AG/NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS BILL

### MAJOR INCREASES, DECREASES, AND TRANSFERS OF EXISTING PROGRAMS (CONTINUED)

### INTENT LANGUAGE

### SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE CODE OF IOWA

- **Department of Economic Development (DED):**

- \$100,000 and 2.0 FTE positions to provide information and technical assistance to operations requiring a NPDES permit. One position will specialize in livestock operations and the other in non-livestock operations. (Page 11, Line 27)
- Prohibits the DNR from exceeding the appropriation from the State Fish and Game Protection Fund unless additional revenues are received from a public or private entity, and is approved by the Natural Resource Commission. (Page 5, Line 15)
- Requires the departments within the Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee to review their short-term use of vehicles and revise their policies on short-term use to maximize cost savings. The departments are required to issue an initial report by December 1, 2006, and a follow-up report by December 1, 2007, to the Government Oversight Committees, on their policy revisions and the savings realized from the changes. (Page 12, Line 20)
- Allows the DNR to use unappropriated funds from the State Fish and Game Protection Fund for payment of conservation peace officer retirement benefits. (Page 5, Line 9)
- Permits the DNR to use Stormwater Discharge Permit Fees to fund the following:
  - 2.0 FTE positions to review and approve flood plain permit applications. (Page 7, Line 11)
  - 2.0 FTE positions for the federal Total Maximum Daily Load Program. (Page 7, Line 22)
- Specifies nonreversion of funds appropriated to the NPDES Permit Fund. (Page 9, Line 19)

# Summary Data

## General Fund

H.F. 2540	Actual FY 2005 (1)	Estimated FY 2006 (2)	House Action FY 2007 (3)	Senate Action FY 2007 (4)	Senate Action vs House Act (5)	Senate Action vs Est FY 2006 (6)	Page & Line Number (7)
Ag. and Natural Resources	\$ 34,923,463	\$ 36,750,180	\$ 36,850,180	\$ 38,025,180	\$ 1,175,000	\$ 1,275,000	
Grand Total	<u>\$ 34,923,463</u>	<u>\$ 36,750,180</u>	<u>\$ 36,850,180</u>	<u>\$ 38,025,180</u>	<u>\$ 1,175,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,275,000</u>	

# Ag. and Natural Resources

## General Fund

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<b><u>Ag. &amp; Land Stewardship</u></b>							
Administrative Division	\$ 17,263,319	\$ 17,837,900	\$ 17,837,900	\$ 17,837,900	\$ 0	\$ 0	PG 1 LN 3
Chronic Wasting Disease	0	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	0	PG 1 LN 21
Regulatory Dairy Products	632,170	643,166	693,166	693,166	0	50,000	PG 2 LN 13
Avian Influenza	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	0	0	PG 2 LN 23
Apiary Program	0	40,000	40,000	40,000	0	0	PG 3 LN 2
Soil Commissioners Expense	0	200,000	250,000	250,000	0	50,000	PG 3 LN 14
Sr. Farmers Market Program	0	77,000	77,000	77,000	0	0	PG 3 LN 32
Missouri River Authority	9,535	9,535	9,535	9,535	0	0	PG 4 LN 7
<b>Total Ag. &amp; Land Stewardship</b>	<b>\$ 17,955,024</b>	<b>\$ 18,957,601</b>	<b>\$ 19,057,601</b>	<b>\$ 19,057,601</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	
<b><u>Natural Resources, Department of</u></b>							
DNR Operations	\$ 16,968,439	\$ 17,792,579	\$ 17,792,579	\$ 17,967,579	\$ 175,000	\$ 175,000	PG 4 LN 19
<b><u>Regents, Board of</u></b>							
Iowa State Vet. Diagnostic Lab	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	
<b>Total Ag. and Natural Resources</b>	<b>\$ 34,923,463</b>	<b>\$ 36,750,180</b>	<b>\$ 36,850,180</b>	<b>\$ 38,025,180</b>	<b>\$ 1,175,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,275,000</b>	

## Summary Data

### Non General Fund

H.F. 2540	Actual FY 2005 (1)	Estimated FY 2006 (2)	House Action FY 2007 (3)	Senate Action FY 2007 (4)	Senate Action vs House Act (5)	Senate Action vs Est FY 2006 (5)	Page & Line Number (6)
Ag. and Natural Resources	\$ 35,282,114	\$ 36,638,873	\$ 38,883,873	\$ 38,433,873	\$ -450,000	\$ 1,795,000	
Economic Development	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 100,000	\$ 0	\$ -100,000	\$ 0	
Grand Total	<u>\$ 35,282,114</u>	<u>\$ 36,638,873</u>	<u>\$ 38,983,873</u>	<u>\$ 38,433,873</u>	<u>\$ -550,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,795,000</u>	

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<b><u>Ag. &amp; Land Stewardship</u></b>							
Native Horse & Dog Program	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 0	\$ 0	PG 2 LN 2
Open Feedlots Research Project	0	100,000	100,000	50,000	-50,000	-50,000	PG 7 LN 33
<b>Total Ag. &amp; Land Stewardship</b>	<b>\$ 305,516</b>	<b>\$ 405,516</b>	<b>\$ 405,516</b>	<b>\$ 355,516</b>	<b>\$ -50,000</b>	<b>\$ -50,000</b>	
<b><u>Natural Resources, Department of</u></b>							
Fish & Wildlife Approp	\$ 31,220,766	\$ 32,477,525	\$ 34,322,525	\$ 34,322,525	\$ 0	\$ 0	PG 4 LN 32
Snowmobile Fees To F&G Fund	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	0	PG 6 LN 22
UST Administration Match	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	0	0	PG 6 LN 35
NPDES Permit Fund	0	0	400,000	0	-400,000	-400,000	PG 11 LN 12
Groundwater Protection Fund	3,455,832	3,455,832	3,455,832	3,455,832	0	0	PG 5 LN 25
<b>Total Natural Resources, Department of</b>	<b>\$ 34,976,598</b>	<b>\$ 36,233,357</b>	<b>\$ 38,478,357</b>	<b>\$ 38,078,357</b>	<b>\$ -400,000</b>	<b>\$ -400,000</b>	
<b>Total Ag. and Natural Resources</b>	<b>\$ 35,282,114</b>	<b>\$ 36,638,873</b>	<b>\$ 38,883,873</b>	<b>\$ 38,433,873</b>	<b>\$ -450,000</b>	<b>\$ -450,000</b>	



# Economic Development

## Non General Fund

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 100,000	\$ 0	\$ -100,000	\$ 0	PG 11 LN 27

Economic Development, Dept. of  
NPDES Env. Advocate

# Summary Data

FTE

H.F. 2540	Actual FY 2005 (1)	Estimated FY 2006 (2)	House Action FY 2007 (3)	Senate Action FY 2007 (4)	Senate Action vs House Act (5)	Senate Action vs Est FY 2006 (6)	Page & Line Number (7)
Ag. and Natural Resources	1,390.72	1,507.02	1,522.02	1,518.02	-4.00	11.00	
Economic Development	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	-2.00	0.00	
Grand Total	1,390.72	1,507.02	1,524.02	1,518.02	-6.00	11.00	

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<b><u>Ag. &amp; Land Stewardship</u></b>							
Administrative Division	352.03	404.39	404.39	404.39	0.00	0.00	PG 1 LN 3
<b><u>Natural Resources, Department of</u></b>							
DNR Operations	1,038.69	1,102.63	1,113.63	1,113.63	0.00	11.00	PG 4 LN 19
NPDES Permit Fund			4.00		-4.00	0.00	PG 11 LN 12
<b>Total Natural Resources, Department of</b>	<u>1,038.69</u>	<u>1,102.63</u>	<u>1,117.63</u>	<u>1,113.63</u>	<u>-4.00</u>	<u>11.00</u>	
<b>Total Ag. and Natural Resources</b>	<u><u>1,390.72</u></u>	<u><u>1,507.02</u></u>	<u><u>1,522.02</u></u>	<u><u>1,518.02</u></u>	<u><u>-4.00</u></u>	<u><u>11.00</u></u>	

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0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	-2.00	0.00	PG 11 LN 27

Economic Development, Dept. of  
NPDES Env. Advocate